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- 1. After having cooperated with both the Nationalists and the Communists in the Tsingtao area, several radio operators of the Tsingtao telegraph office have recently submitted their resignations for fear of reprisals from either or both sides.
- 2. After the occupation of Tsingtao, calls were received on short wave radio from Nationalist troops remaining on Chang Shan Island who inquired about conditions in Tsingtao, specific persons and firms, and other local information. Operators receiving calls felt obligated to reply, and so daily contact was maintained.
- 3. Eventually, however, some office workers reported the daily contacts to Communists assigned to the telegraph office. As a result the transmitters were removed while the receivers were left intact and monitoring of ealls from Chang Shan Island was initiated.
- 4. The operators involved feel that either or both sides may take reprisals against them personally.

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